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1. FOLLOWING ARE SELECTED ACCIDENT BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS RESULTING FROM RECENT AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT IN FAR EAST WHICH ARE SUBMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND APPLICATION TO OXCART AS YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE.

A. ESTABLISH SOPS TO PROVIDE UPDATED WEATHER TO THE PILOT DURING LONG TRAINING FLIGHTS.

B. REVIEW EXISTING SEARCH AND RESCUE PROCEDURES TO ASSURE MAXIMUM ASSISTANCE TO PILOT.

C. EXPAND THE PILOT'S PRE-FLIGHT BRIEFING TO INCLUDE:

- (1) A WEATHER CROSS SECTION FOR LONG RANGE FLIGHTS.
- (2) STATUS OF ALL USEABLE AIRFIELDS ALONG THE FLIGHT PATH.

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- (3) STATUS OF RADARS ALONG THE ROUTE
- (4) MAP ANNOTATIONS TO SHOW POINT OF NO RETURN AND GO-NO-GO INFORMATION IN CASE OF EMERGENCY.
- (5) SEA STATE, WATER TEMPERATURE AND SPECIFIC WATER SURVIVAL TECHNIQUES TO BE EMPLOYED.
- (6) SPECIFIC EMERGENCY PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO THE MISSION.
- D. EXPEND PILOT TRAINING PROCEDURE TO REQUIRE MEMORY KNOWLEDGE OF BOLD FACE ITEMS IN EMERGENCY CHECK LISTS.
- E. ALL PILOTS SHOULD ATTEND FORMAL WATER SURVIVAL TRAINING TO BUILD UP CONFIDENCE. TRAINING MUST INCLUDE EXPERIENCE IN BOARDING THE ONE MAN AND SIX MAN LIFE RAFTS IN A PRESSURE SUIT AND PROPER EQUIPMENT HANDLING PROCEDURES.
- F. PILOTS SHOULD BE RE-BRIEFED ON THE CASE WITH WHICH SURVIVAL ITEMS CAN BE LOST WHEN THEY ARE NOT KEPT IN THE

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"TRUCK" SACK WHEN ABOARD A RAFT.

2. THE BOARD ALSO RECOMMENDED A REVIEW OF EXISTING FLIGHT FOLLOWING PROCEDURES AND AGREEMENTS IN THE FAR EAST TO ASSURE CONTINUOUS FLIGHT FOLLOWING CAPABILITY AND CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN EMERGENCIES. YOUR COMMENTS THIS SUBJECT SOLICITED RELATIVE TO BLACK SHIELD PROCEDURES.

3. ADDITIONALLY, THE BOARD MADE SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE LIFE SUPPORT AREA WHICH MAY HAVE APPLICABILITY TO OXCART. THIS TO BE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE MSG FROM HQS WITH

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